JOE WARDY MAYOR JOYCE WILSON CITY MANAGER



CITY COUNCIL

SUSAN AUSTIN DISTRICT NO. 1

ROBERT A. CUSHING, JR. DISTRICT NO. 2

JOSE ALEXANDRO LOZANO DISTRICT NO. 3

> JOHN F. COOK DISTRICT NO. 4

PRESI ORTEGA, JR. DISTRICT NO. 5

PAUL J. ESCOBAR DISTRICT NO. 6

VIVIAN ROJAS DISTRICT NO. 7

ANTHONY W. COBOS DISTRICT NO. 8

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING **COUNCIL CHAMBERS** MAY 17, 2005 9:00 A.M.

The City Council met in regular session at the above place and date. Meeting was called to order at 9:11 a.m. Mayor Joe Wardy present and presiding and the following Council Members answered roll call: Susan Austin, Robert A. Cushing, Jr., Jose Alexandro Lozano, John F. Cook, Presi Ortega, Jr., Paul J. Escobar, Vivian Rojas, and Anthony W. Cobos. Absent: None. The invocation was given by Fire and Police Chaplain Sam Faraone, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATIONS

- 1. PHILLIS WHEATLEY CIVIC CLUB 90TH ANNIVERSARY
- 2. AARP EL PASO INFORMATION CENTER DAY
- **COMMUNITY ACTION AGENCY MONTH** 3.

....... Motion made by Representative Cook, seconded by Representative Lozano and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the following item:

Add a Chapter/Section to the City Charter regarding veterans. This addition would be further proof to the DOD of the willingness of El Paso to go beyond a minimum eagerness to relocate armed forces here due to BRAC and also a proof to all local veterans of the efforts the City is making on their behalf. Further, make a proclamation asking all El Paso govt. and quasi-govt entities to enact similar civil service protections to veterans. [Toña De Quiroz]

Representative Ortega was not present for the vote.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the following item: Request for Investigation of Malpractice and Civil Rights Violations against Adult Protective Services, Housing Authority of The City of El Paso, El Paso Psychiatric Center, Public Defenders Office, Probate Court / Judge Higgs and El Paso Police Department. [Giovanni J. Riela]

Mr. Giovanni J. Riela, citizen, commented.

Mayor Joe Wardy commented.

Mr. Ernie Rodriguez, Assistant City Attorney, commented.

Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE, AS REVISED**, all matters listed under the Consent Agenda unless otherwise noted. (Items approved, postponed, or deleted pursuant to the vote on the Consent Agenda will be shown with an asterisk {*}).

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Cushing, Cobos, and Lozano commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Ms. Lisa Turner asked questions regarding the budget transfers listed on the agenda.
- 2. Mr. Ray Gilbert

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager
- 2. Ms. Lisa Elizondo, City Attorney
- 3. Mr. Byron Johnson, Director of Purchasing

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting of May 10, 2005.

*RESOLUTION	
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.	

That the City Manager be authorized to sign a Lessor's Approval of Sublease by and between the City of El Paso ("Lessor"), Cutter Beechcraft Corporation ("Lessee") and Pak West, Inc. dba Sierra West Airlines ("Sublessee") covering the property described as Lot 28, Block 4, El Paso International Airport Tracts, Unit 2, and Lots 29 and 30, Block 4, El Paso International Airport Tracts, Unit 1, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas and municipally known as 7615 Boeing Drive, El Paso, Texas.

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*RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

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That the prohibition against landing aircraft within the City limits except upon regularly established airfield or landing place contained in Section 14.12.080 of the El Paso Municipal Code is hereby waived to permit the Department of Homeland Security Customs and Border Protection, U.S. Border Patrol Air and Marine Operations, to land a UH-1H Huey Helicopter and a AS350B3 Helicopter on the El Paso County Coliseum parking lot in connection with the El Paso City County Health and Environmental District's Community Emergency Preparedness Fair to be held on May 21, 2005.

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*RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of El Paso finds that it would be in the best interest of the public to authorize offset angle parking along the west right-of-way lines of Stevens Street, from Hueco Avenue to the alley south thereof; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of El Paso further finds, in accordance with Section 12.44.050 of the El Paso Municipal Code, that said right-of-way is not upon a Federal-aid or State Highway; that passing traffic will not be required to drive upon the left side of the street or upon any streetcar tracks; that said parking will not be within the Central Traffic District nor the Five Points Traffic District; that said street does not carry more than 4,000 vehicles average per day, nor more than 500 vehicles per hour for any consecutive three day hours of an average; and that adequate provision has been made for the free and unobstructed passage of pedestrian traffic thereof;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL PASO:

THAT the City Engineer is hereby authorized and directed to designate five (5) offset angle parking spaces along the west right-of-way lines of Stevens Street, from Hueco Avenue to the alley south thereof. Said right-of-way shall be used for public parking and cannot be used to satisfy the off-street parking required by El Paso Municipal Code for the adjacent property.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to DELETE a Resolution calling for a runoff election on June 4, 2005 for the 2005 election in the City of El Paso for an election of officers.
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to APPROVE the request to fill the following position on a temporary basis in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.6-3, of the Civil Service Charter Provisions:
Maintenance Mechanic II (1) Fund Source: 51010256-01101-51095
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to APPROVE the following provisional appointments in accordance with Article VI, Section 6.6-2, of the Civil Service Charter Provisions:
 A. Park User Representative (1) Fund Source: 51010279-16301-51000P0003-UF B. Planner (1) Fund Source: 08010315-01101-08000

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** installation, power, and maintenance of residential street light at the following location:

Between 3216 and 3220 Nairn St. with an estimated cost of \$899. Funding to be provided by District 3 Discretionary Funds Department #01153004, Account #504420, Fund Code #16503, and Project #PD30424.

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried that the following tax refunds be **APPROVED**:

- A. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Service in the amount of \$6,361.98 overpayment of 2003 taxes. (PID #C340-999-1500-4100)
- B. Stewart Title Company in the amount of \$3,109.95 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (PID #H788-006-0170-0450)
- C. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Services in the amount of \$3,758.48 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (PID #K408-999-0010-6100)
- D. Henry Torres in the amount of \$3,154.15 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (PID #L447-999-076B-8500)
- E. Sierra Title Company in the amount of \$2,791.95 overpayment of 2004 taxes. (PID #M576-999-0180-3700)
- F. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Service in the amount of \$3,131.18 overpayment of 2003 taxes. (PID #N425-999-0350-0700)
- G. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Service in the amount of \$7,874.19 overpayment of 2003 taxes. (PID #R246-999-0020-3500)
- H. Wells Fargo Real Estate Tax Service in the amount of \$4,579.19 overpayment of 2003 taxes. (PID #T262-999-0010-2200)
- I. Washington Mutual Home Loans in the amount of \$2,524.42 overpayment of 2003 taxes. (PID V894-999-0090-0900)

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE, AS REVISED,** the request to allocate \$2,500.00 from District #7 and \$2,500 from District #3 Discretionary Funds to the City of El Paso Parks and Recreation Department to assist with the costs of the "2005 Summer Program" that will be held at the Thomas Manor Elementary School from June 6 to July 29, 2005. The program will be available Monday - Friday from 2 - 6 p.m.

Council District #7 - Dept. Id #01153010, Fund 16507, Acct. # 504420 Council District #3 – Acct # 01153004, Fund 16503, Project PD30424

design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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NOTE: District 3 discretionary fund accounting information was revised.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1009 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$2,195 from the 2000 QOL project, Grace Chope to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund

14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050

Design

Decrease \$2,195 from 14101001/PQLPA11760117/508050 Design Increase \$2,195 to 14101001/PQLPA11760117/507001 IntrafdTrf(U) Increase \$2,195 to 14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001 IntrafdTrf(S)

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1010 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$8,078 from the 2000 QOL project, Murchison to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$8,078	from	14101001/PQLPA13560135/508050	Design
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA13560135/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$5,707 from the 2000 QOL project, Palm Grove to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$5,707	from	14101001/PQLPA14160141/508050	Design
Increase	\$5,707	to	14101001/PQLPA14160141/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$5,707	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$5,707	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$8,078 from the 2000 QOL project, Scenic Drive to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$8,078	from	14101001/PQLPA15160151/508050	Design
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA15160151/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$8,078	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$5,268 from the 2000 QOL project, Delgado to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$5,268	from	14101001/PQLPA11060110/508050	Design
Increase	\$5,268	to	14101001/PQLPA11060110/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$5,268	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$5,268	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1011 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1012 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1013 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1014 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$5,531 from the 2000 QOL project, Loretto-Lincoln to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$5,531	from	14101001/PQLPA12660126/508050	Design
Increase	\$5,531	to	14101001/PQLPA12660126/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$5,531	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$5,531	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$2,371 from the 2000 QOL project, Newman to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$2,371	from	14101001/PQLPA13860138/508050	Design
Increase	\$2,371	to	14101001/PQLPA13860138/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$2,371	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$2,371	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$5,444 from the 2000 QOL project, Paseo de los Heroes to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$5,444	from	14101001/PQLPA14360143/508050	Design
Increase	\$5,444	to	14101001/PQLPA14360143/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$5,444	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$5.444	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1017 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$2,810 from the 2000 QOL project, Tom Lea (Upper) to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$2,810	from	14101001/PQLPA16460164/508050	Design
Increase	\$2,810	to	14101001/PQLPA16460164/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$2,810	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$2,810	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1015 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1016 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1019 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$6,497 from the 2000 QOL project, Madeline to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$6,497	from	14101001/PQLPA12760127/508050	Design
Increase	\$6,497	to	14101001/PQLPA12760127/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$6,497	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$6,497	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$6,761 from the 2000 QOL project, Pacific to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$6,761	from	14101001/PQLPA14060140/508050	Design
Increase	\$6,761	to	14101001/PQLPA14060140/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$6,761	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$6,761	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$3,951 from the 2000 QOL project, Roger Brown Ballfield to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$3,951	from	14101001/PQLPA14960149/508050	Design
Increase	\$3,951	to	14101001/PQLPA14960149/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$3,951	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$3.951	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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Building and Planning Services proposes to transfer \$3,512 from the 2000 QOL project, Eastside Maintenance Yard to the 2000 QOL Parks Improvement Package 6 – Irrigation and Site Work to issue a purchase order to fund design of several parks. There is no increase to the program budget.

Decrease	\$3,512	from	14101001/PQLPA11460114/508050	Design
Increase	\$3,512	to	14101001/PQLPA11460114/507001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$3,512	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/407001	IntrafdTrf(S)
Increase	\$3,512	to	14101001/PQLPA18660183/508050	Design

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1020 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1021 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

^{*}Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1023 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1040 AIRPORT

Transfer of funds to cover cost of water for the rest of the year based on current and prior year use.

Increase	\$3,500	to	62620007/40101/502226	Bldg/FacMnt
Increase	\$3,500	to	62620007/40101/407001	IntrafdTrf(U)
Increase	\$3,500	to	62620018/P50000241021/407002	Est Rev
Increase	\$3,500	to	62620018/P50000241021/507001	IntrafdTrf(S)

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1043 AIRPORT

Transfer of funds to cover cost of water for the rest of the year based on current and prior year use.

Increase \$7,000 to 62620011/40101/504101 Water
Decrease \$7,000 from 62620001/40101/504405 Contingency

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE AS REVISED**, budget transfer BT2005-1044 AIRPORT

Transfer of funds to cover cost of water for the Lone Star Golf Course until the water well is repaired.

Increase	\$300,000	to	62620012/40101/504101	Water
Increase	\$300,000	to	62620012/40101/407001	IntrafdTrfIn
Increase	\$300,000	to	62620018/P50000241021/407002	Est Rev
Increase	\$300,000	to	62620018/P50000241021/507001	IntrafdTrfOut

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

NOTE: Item was revised to read "Lone Star Golf Course".

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1063 AIRPORT

Transfer of funds to cover the acquisition of four elongated dome canopies to provide shade and weather protection at the luggage check in points in front of the terminal.

Increase	\$5,408	to	62620020/P50000441022/508009	Furn & Fixt
Increase	\$5,408	to	62620020/P50000441022/407001	IntrafdTrfIn
Increase	\$5,408	to	62620018/P50000241021/407002	EstRev
Increase	\$5,408	to	62620018/P50000241021/507001	IntrafdTrfOut

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1080 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to appropriate \$16,776 to fund a school flasher at Franklin High School on Resler Dr. between Redd Rd and Imperial Ridge Dr. Funding source is El Paso Independent School District.

Increase	\$16,776	to	31255005/PPW005227691/405067	ReimbExp
Increase	\$16,776	to	31255005/PPW005227691/508027	Construction

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** budget transfer BT2005-1081 BUILDING AND PLANNING SERVICES

Building and Planning Services proposes to appropriate \$15,490 to fund a pedestrian flasher at Vista del Sol at Sumac. Funding source is Del Sol Medical Center.

Increase	\$15,490	to	31255005/PPW005227691/405067	ReimbExp
Increase	\$ 1,408	to	31255005/PPW005227691/508050	Design
Increase	\$14,082	to	31255005/PPW005227691/508027	Construction

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request of Roberts Neighborhood Association to use amplification (2 speakers, 1 microphone and 1 amplifier) at Thorn Park – 5260 Mace St on May 28, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for a picnic. Approximately 250 persons will take part. PERMIT # 05-049 [Edwin A. Cheslik]

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **APPROVE** the request of Kenneth G. John to block off alley between Kerbey Ave. and University Ave. on June 11, 2005 from 6:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. for a block party – wedding reception. Approximately 200 persons will take part. Barricades must be manned according to the State's "Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices". This request includes permission to use amplification (2 amplifiers and 1 microphone). PERMIT # 05-050 [Kenneth G. John]

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carri

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **DELETE** the introduction of an Ordinance amending Title 20 (Zoning) of the El Paso Municipal Code, by amending Chapter 20.02 (General Provisions and Definitions) to add 20.02.722 (Secondary Advertising Signs), and also by amending Chapter 20.66 (Signs), Sections 20.66.100 (Sign Permit Fee Formula), 20.66.130 (Prohibited Signs) and 20.66.300 (Commercial, Manufacturing, and Industrial Uses-C-1, C-2, C-3, C-4, M-1, M-2, P-C, M-3 and Q Districts). The penalty is as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the City of El Paso Municipal Code.

Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Ortega and unanimously carried that the following Ordinances, having been **INTRODUCED** pursuant to Section 3.9 of the El Paso City Charter, be advertised for public hearing:

Representatives Austin, Lozano, and Escobar were not present for the vote.

A. An Ordinance granting a Special Privilege to the El Paso Empowerment Zone to temporarily close portions of Texas Avenue, Florence Street, Ochoa Street, Virginia Street, St. Vrain Street, Ange Street, and Octavia Street on June 18, 2005, June 19, 2005, September 4, 2005 and October 29, 2005 for the "Texas Avenue Street Festivals". (Fee: \$350.00, SP-05005)

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON MAY 31, 2005 FOR ITEM A

- **B.** An Ordinance granting Special Permit No. ZON05-00018, to allow for a parking reduction on the property described as the South 25 Feet of Lot 1, Block 118, Campbell Addition, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas pursuant to Section 20.64.175 of the El Paso Municipal Code. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the El Paso Municipal Code. Applicant: Luis Hernandez.
- **C.** An Ordinance changing the zoning of a portion of Lot A, Block 129, Eastwood Heights Unit K, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from A-O (Apartment/Office) to A-3 (Apartment) and imposing certain conditions. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the El Paso Municipal Code. Applicant: Nonie R. Willisch. ZON04-00151

PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON JUNE 7, 2005 FOR ITEMS B - C

Public Hearings will be held as part of the regular City Council meeting which begins at approximately 9AM. All interested persons present shall have an opportunity to be heard at that time. After the public hearings, Council may also delay taking action on Ordinances, no requirement is made by Section 3.9B of the El Paso City Charter to publish any further notice. Copies of all Ordinances are available for review in the City Clerk's office, 2 Civic Center Plaza, Monday through Friday, 8AM to 5PM.

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NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the discussion and action pertaining to the extravagant charges incurred for cleaning and securing the property located at 5833 Porpoise in El Paso, Texas.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Cook, Cobos, and Lozano commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Ms. Alejandra Briseño, daughter of property owner, read a letter into the record. (letter on file in the City Clerk's Office)
- 2. Mr. Fernando Briseño, property owner, provided photographs of the property.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Mr. Thomas Maguire, Building Permits and Inspections
- 2. Mr. Daryl Cole, Street Director
- 3. Mr. Bill Stern, Building Permits and Inspections
- 4. Ms. Lisa Hayes, Assistant City Attorney
- 5. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the discussion and action on developing an Ordinance which would limit campaign contributions to candidates running for Mayor and City Council, to One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) per person in a calendar year and no more than Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) per family in a calendar year.

Representatives Cook, Cobos, Ortega, and Cushing commented.

Representative Cobos requested information from past City Council agendas regarding campaign contribution(s) from Ms. Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk. Item was deferred until later in the agenda.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Ms. Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk, provided copies of motions made by previous Councils pertaining to campaign contributions. (copies of motions are on file in the City Clerk's Office)
- 2. Ms. Lisa A. Elizondo, City Attorney
- 3. Ms. Elaine Hengen, Assistant City Attorney

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Ray Gilbert
- 2. Ms. Lisa Turner

Representative Cook moved to direct staff to place the item on the agenda for the next meeting of the Ethics Review Commission and ask the Ethics Review Commission to report back to the Council with their recommendations.

Representative Cook withdrew his motion and asked Ms. Hengen to provide copies of the Ethics Review Commission board member's attendance records to the Council.

Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** a written request to audit the performance of the El Paso Central Appraisal District in accordance with Section 5.12 (b) of the Texas Property Tax Code.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Austin, Cushing, Cook, Escobar, Rojas, Cobos, and Ortega commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Jerry Griffith, representative from the Central Appraisal District
- 2. Mr. Robert Mott, attorney, Perdue, Brandon, Fielder, Collins & Mott, L.L.P.
- 3. Ms. Lisa Turner
- 4. Mr. Richard Schecter
- 5. Mr. Sal Gomez
- 6. Mr. Stuart Mitchell
- 7. Ms. Theresa Caballero

Motion made by Representative Escobar, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **AUTHORIZE** the Mayor, in conjunction with the City Manager, to solicit counsel from one or more independent

property tax experts on property tax policy.

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Escobar, Cushing, Austin, and Cook commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- Mr. Ray Gilbert
 Ms. Lisa Turner
- 3. Mr. Stuart Mitchell

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to DELETE the discussion and action regarding current status of the El Paso Firemen and Policemen's Pension Fund after hearing presentation from Pension Administrator.
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to POSTPONE ONE (1) WEEK the discussion and action on a resolution to authorize the City Manager to accept approximately \$5.8 million in Palo Verde Rewards from the El Paso Electric Company, determine how the Palo Verde Rewards will be used, and establish any requisite criteria for directing the use and accounting of the Palo Verde Rewards.
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
Motion made by Representative Ortega, seconded by Representative Escobar and unanimously carried to APPROVE Conditional "B" building permits for Montoya Terrace Subdivision based on the finding of economic hardship.
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.
Mr. Rick Conner, Director of Engineering, commented.
Ms. Yvonne Conde Curry, Design Engineer, Conde Inc., requested the Conditional "B" building permits based on economic hardship.
*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to DELETE Change Order No. Twelve to J.A.R. Concrete, Inc., for Contract No. 2003-199, EPIA Fixed Base Operator Ramp & NASA Apron Reconstruction project. The amount of this change order represents a CREDIT of Six Hundred Five Thousand, Six Hundred Ninety Eight Dollars and Forty Five Cents (\$605,698.45) against the amount bid by J.A.R. Concrete, Inc. for the Scope of Work defined by specification books #1 and #2 and the project drawings as amended. The amount of this credit is per recommendations from the Departments of El Paso International Airport, the Project Manager, Paragon Project Resources, Inc., and Engineering. It is requested that the City Manager be authorized to sign the requested (credit) change to the original contract amount.
Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

ORDINANCE 16048

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 19 (SUBDIVISIONS) OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE BY AMENDING CHAPTER 19.16 (IMPROVEMENT STANDARDS AND DESIGN PRINCIPLES) SECTION 19.16.050 (STORMWATER DESIGN) SUBSECTION 19.16.050.H (PRESERVATION OF NATURAL ARROYOS) TO REQUIRE THAT THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION DETERMINE WHETHER TO APPROVE A MODIFICATION OF CONDITIONS TO ALLOW IMPROVEMENTS ON NATURAL DRAINAGE COURSES KNOWN AS ARROYOS. THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 19.04.190 OF THE CODE.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Austin, Cushing, and Cook commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Mr. Rick Conner, City Engineer
- 2. Mr. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Stuart Mitchell, President of the Mountain Arroyos Neighborhood Association.
- 2. Mr. Charlie Wakeem, President of the Coronado Neighborhood Association.

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

1ST MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **AMEND** paragraph 5 of the Ordinance language as follows: "This ordinance shall cease to be effective as to any subdivision application received the day after the City Council's approval of the final ordinance that is recommended by the Ad Hoc Committee created on August 31, 2004, in accordance with its charge as defined in the August 31, 2004, resolution and as subsequently amended on September 28, 2004."

Representatives Lozano and Cobos were not present for the vote.

2ND AND FINAL MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Rojas that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Cook, Ortega, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Lozano and Cobos

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**.

ORDINANCE 16049

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 12 (VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC), CHAPTER 12.88 (SCHEDULES), SECTION 12.88.030 (SCHEDULE III-- PARKING PROHIBITED AT ALL TIMES ON CERTAIN STREETS), OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ADD NO PARKING ANYTIME, ON BOTH SIDES OF TRAWOOD DRIVE, BETWEEN JACK NICKLAUS DRIVE AND ESTRADA DRIVE. THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN SECTION 12.84.010 (VIOLATION--PENALTY) OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE.

Representatives Rojas and Ortega commented.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Mr. Rick Conner, City Engineer
- 2. Mr. Ted Marguez, Traffic Engineer Division Manager Engineering

Council Members Austin, Cook, Ortega, Escobar and Roias,

The City Clerk called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Rojas, seconded by Representative Ortega that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

NAYS:	None	Absent:	None		
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Representative	Lozano was not pres	sent for the vote) .		
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penalty being a ZON05-00007		ter 20.68 of th	e El Paso Municipal C	,	•

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF PORTION OF LOT 1, BLOCK 160, VISTA DEL SOL UNIT 54, EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS FROM P-I (PLANNED INDUSTRIAL) TO C-3 (COMMERCIAL). THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 20.68 OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE.

ORDINANCE 16050

Representative Rojas amended the Ordinance from C-4 to C-3 (Commercial) Zoning.

AYES:

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Mr. George Sarmiento, Director of Planning, Research and Development, gave a Powerpoint presentation and noted that the DCC (Development Coordinating Committee) and CPC (City Plan Commission) approved.
- 2. Mr. Rudy Valdez, Chief Urban Planner, gave a Powerpoint presentation and added that there was no opposition to the zoning change request. He answered questions from and responded to comments made by the Council Members.

The City Clerk called for public comment. There was no public comment.

1ST MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Rojas, seconded by Representative Cobos and unanimously carried to **AMEND** the Ordinance to C-3 (Commercial) Zoning.

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

2ND AND FINAL MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Rojas, seconded by Representative Austin, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cushing, Cook, Ortega, Escobar, Rojas and Cobos

NAYS: None Absent: None NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Member Lozano

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**.

ORDINANCE 16051

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 20 (ZONING) OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE, BY AMENDING SECTION 20.04.270 (SPECIAL PERMITS FOR PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENTS-MINIMUM SITE AREA). THE PENALTY IS AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 20.68 OF THE CITY OF EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Ms. Kim Forsyth, Urban Planner
- 2. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney
- 3. Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager

Mr. Stuart Mitchell, President of the Mountain Arroyos Neighborhood Association, commented.

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Cook, seconded by Representative Ortega, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED.** Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cook, Ortega, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Cushing, Lozano and Cobos

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE FOUR WEEKS (4)** an Ordinance changing the zoning of Parcel 1: All of Tract 9B and a portion of Tracts 6 and 10A, Block 11, Upper Valley Surveys, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-F (Ranch and Farm) to R-3 (Residential) and imposing certain conditions; and Parcel 2: A portion of Tracts 9F and 10A, Block 11, Upper Valley Surveys, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from R-F (Ranch and Farm) to R-2 (Residential) and imposing certain conditions. The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the El Paso Municipal Code. Applicant: Mountain Vista Realty, Inc. ZON05-00006

Representative Lozano was not present for the	vote.
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*Motion made by Representative Cobos, seconded by Representative Cushing and unanimously carried to **POSTPONE FOUR WEEKS (4)** an Ordinance changing the zoning of a portion of Tracts 1D, 2D, 3D, and 4D, First Supplemental Map of Parkland Addition and a portion of Lot 1, Block 1, Golberg and Lehman, El Paso, El Paso County, Texas from A-O/sc (Apartment/Office/special contract), C-1/sc (Commercial/special contract), and C-4/sc (Commercial /special contract) to R-5/sc (Residential/special contract). The penalty being as provided in Chapter 20.68 of the El Paso Municipal Code. Applicant: G & L Joint Venture. ZON05-00014

ORDINANCE 16052

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE ZONING OF A PORTION OF LOT 1A, BLOCK 4, FALCON HILLS UNIT ONE REPLAT B, EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS FROM A-2/SC (APARTMENT/SPECIAL CONTRACT) TO A-O/SC (APARTMENT/OFFICE/SPECIAL CONTRACT) AND IMPOSING CERTAIN CONDITIONS. THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 20.68 OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE.

The following City staff members commented:

- 1. Mr. Rudy Valdez, Chief Urban Planner, gave a Powerpoint presentation and answered questions from and responded to comments made by Council Member Austin.
- 2. Mr. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney, read into the record the revised Ordinance language for paragraph "1" as follows:
 - 1. No buildings on the property shall exceed thirty feet in height, except that a single solarium shall be permitted at a height not to exceed forty-five feet.

Mr. Bradley Roe, Roe Engineering LC, commented.

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

1ST MOTION:

Motion made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Ortega and unanimously carried to **AMEND** the Ordinance language as read into the record by Mr. Matt Watson, Assistant City Attorney.

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cook, Ortega, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Cushing, Lozano and Cobos

2ND AND FINAL MOTION:

Motion duly made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Escobar, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cook, Ortega, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Cushing, Lozano and Cobos

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED AS AMENDED**.

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ORDINANCE 16053

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE GRANTING SPECIAL PERMIT NO. ZON05-00021, TO ALLOW FOR A PLANNED RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ON TRACT 1C1 AND A PORTION OF TRACT 1D1, BLOCK 10, UPPER VALLEY SURVEYS, EL PASO, EL PASO COUNTY, TEXAS PURSUANT TO SECTION 20.12.040 (ZONING) OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE. THE PENALTY BEING AS PROVIDED IN CHAPTER 20.68 OF THE EL PASO MUNICIPAL CODE.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representative Austin commented.

Mr. Rudy Valdez, Chief Urban Planner, gave a Powerpoint presentation and noted that the CPC (City Plan Commission) and DCC (Development Coordinating Committee) had recommended unanimous approval. He responded to questions and/or comments of the Council Members.

Mr. Stuart Mitchell, President of the Mountain Arroyos Neighborhood Association commented.

The City Clerk called for further public comment. There was no further public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Escobar, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cook, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Cushing, Lozano, Ortega and Cobos

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

ORDINANCE 16054

The City Clerk read an Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE TERM OF THE SPECIAL PRIVILEGE LICENSE ORIGINALLY GRANTED BY ORDINANCE #012402 AS SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE #012928, SUCH SPECIAL PRIVILEGE LICENSE TO EXTEND THROUGH MAY 18, 2015, AND ALSO TO ACKNOWLEDGE ONEOK WESTEX TRANSMISSION, L.P. AS SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO AOG GAS TRANSMISSION COMPANY L.P. FOR ALL RIGHTS AND DUTIES SET FORTH IN ORDINANCE #012402, AS AMENDED, FOR THE CONSTRUCTION, MAINTENANCE AND USE OF A NATURAL GAS PIPELINE WITHIN A PORTION OF RAILROAD DRIVE RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Mr. Rudy Valdez, Chief Urban Planner, gave a Powerpoint presentation and noted that the CPC (City Plan Commission) and DCC (Development Coordinating Committee) had recommended unanimous approval. He responded to questions and/or comments of the Council Members.

The City Clerk called for public comment. There was no public comment.

Motion duly made by Representative Cook, seconded by Representative Austin, that the Ordinance be **ADOPTED**. Whereupon the Mayor ordered that a vote be taken on the passage and adoption of the Ordinance which when so done resulted as follows:

AYES: Council Members Austin, Cook, Escobar and Rojas

NAYS: None Absent: None

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Council Members Cushing, Lozano, Ortega and Cobos

Whereupon the Mayor ordered that the vote having been cast in favor of the Ordinance, the same be and the same is hereby **ADOPTED**.

ADDITION TO THE AGENDA

Motion made by Representative Rojas, seconded by Representative Cobos and carried to move the discussion and action regarding the City Attorney's research and recommendation on how to proceed on the Cedar Oak Townhomes Development Project to the **FOREFRONT OF THE REGULAR AGENDA**.

AYES: Representatives Cushing, Ortega, Escobar, Rojas and Cobos

NAYS: Representatives Austin and Cook

NOT PRESENT FOR THE VOTE: Representative Lozano

Council moved the item into executive session. Following executive session, discussion took place.

Mayor Joe Wardy and Representatives Rojas, Ortega, and Cobos commented.

Ms. Joyce Wilson, City Manager, commented.

The following members of the public commented:

- 1. Mr. Art Rivera
- 2. Ms. Lisa Turner

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the discussion and action regarding the City Attorney's research and recommendation on how to proceed on the Cedar Oak Townhomes Development Project.

Motion made by Representative Cushing, seconded by Representative Austin and unanimously carried that the City Council retire into **EXECUTIVE SESSION** at 12:52 p.m. pursuant to Section 3.5A of the El Paso City Charter and the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, to discuss any of the following:

Representative Lozano was not present for the vote.

Section 551.071	CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY
Section 551.072	DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY
Section 551.073	DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFTS
Section 551.074	PERSONNEL MATTERS
Section 551.076	DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES
Section 551.087	DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVLOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Discussion and action on the following:

Addn 1. Discussion and action regarding the City Attorney's research and recommendation on how to proceed on the Cedar Oak Townhomes Development Project.

Motion made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Lozano and unanimously carried to adjourn the Executive Session and reconvene the meeting of the City Council at 1: 24 p.m.

NO ACTION WAS TAKEN regarding the discussion and action regarding the City Attorney's research and

recommendation on how to proceed on the Cedar Oak Townhomes Development Project.
See page 18 for discussion.
Motion made by Representative Austin, seconded by Representative Rojas and unanimously carried to ADJOURN this meeting at 2:31 p.m.
Representatives Cushing, Lozano, Ortega and Cobos were not present for the vote.

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:

Richarda Duffy Momsen, City Clerk